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INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MASS, IS, PN

SUBJECT: ISRAELI ARMS SALE TO PANAMANIAN

1. EVRON (MFA) TOLD US TODAY THAT THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT WISHED TO BUY FROM ISRAEL THE FOLLOWING ARMS:

3 BATTERIES 120 MM MORTARS,  
2 BATTERIES 105 MM MORTARS,  
1000 GALIL RIFLES,  
3 BATTERIES 106 MM RECOILLESS RIFLES, AND  
LARGE QUANTITIES OF ASSORTED PLASTIC EXPLOSIVES.

2. BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH CONSIDERATION OF THIS PANAMANIAN REQUEST, THE GOI WISHED TO BRING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION "CONFIDENTIALLY" TO ASK FOR OUR COMMENTS. EVRON SAID THAT IF THE SALE OF THESE ARMS WOULD GIVE US ANY PROBLEMS, THE GOI WOULD NOT PROCEED; HE ADDED THAT THE ISRAELIS RECOGNIZED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PANAMANIAN COULD PROBABLY GET WHAT THEY WANTED FROM OTHER SOURCES.

3. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS, EVRON STATED THAT ALL ITEMS REQUESTED BY PANAMANIAN WERE MANUFACTURED IN ISRAEL, WITH NO LINKS TO U.S. LICENSES, ETC., WHICH WOULD REQUIRE FORMAL USG PERMISSION PRIOR TO  
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TRANSFER TO THIRD PARTY.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY WHICH CAN BE COMMUNICATED TO EVRON  
ASAP.  
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